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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application. Please amend claims 7, 9, and 10, as follows:

- 1-6. (Canceled).
- (Currently Amended) A control apparatus configured to:
 detect a first information processing apparatus;

request, from the first information processing apparatus, address information of a second information processing apparatus connected to the first information processing apparatus via a network;

receive the address information;

register the received address information;

control the first information processing apparatus and the second information processing apparatus;

acquire first operation screen information for displaying a first operation screen corresponding to the first information processing apparatus and second operation screen information for displaying a second operation screen corresponding to the second information processing apparatus; and

display the first operation screen and the second operation screen,
wherein the second information processing apparatus is controlled by a control
command created in a remote control apparatus and delivered via the first information

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processing apparatus, wherein the first information processing apparatus is configured to:

receive the control command from the remote control apparatus;

determine, based on information contained in the command, a destination
address of the second information processing apparatus; and

forward the control command to the second information processing apparatus, based on the destination address, via the first information processing apparatus, based on the registered address information.

8. (Previously Presented) The control apparatus according to claim 7, further configured to:

acquire the second operation screen information from the second information processing apparatus via the first information processing apparatus.

9. (Currently Amended) A processor-implemented control method comprising:

detecting, via a remote control apparatus, a first information processing apparatus;

requesting, via the remote control apparatus from the first information processing apparatus, address information of a second information processing apparatus connected to the first information processing apparatus via a network;

receiving the address information;

registering the received address information;

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controlling the first information processing apparatus;

acquiring first operation screen information for displaying a first operation screen corresponding to the first information processing apparatus and second operation screen information for displaying a second operation screen corresponding to the second information processing apparatus;

displaying the first operation screen and the second operation screen; and controlling,—via in response to a control command created in the remote control apparatus and delivered via the first information processing apparatus, the second information processing apparatus—via the first information processing apparatus—based on the registered address information, wherein the first information processing apparatus apparatus is configured to:

receive the control command from the remote control apparatus;

determine, based on information contained in the command, a destination

address of the second information processing apparatus; and

forward the control command to the second information processing apparatus, based on the destination address.

10. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable recording medium storing a computer-executable program which, when executed by a processor, performs a method for controlling a first information processing apparatus and a second information processing apparatus, the method comprising:

detecting, via a remote control apparatus, the first information processing apparatus;

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requesting, via the remote control apparatus from the first information processing apparatus, address information of the second information processing apparatus connected to the first information processing apparatus via a network;

receiving the address information;

registering the received address information;

controlling the first information processing apparatus;

acquiring first operation screen information for displaying a first operation screen corresponding to the first information processing apparatus and second operation screen information for displaying a second operation screen corresponding to the second information processing apparatus;

displaying the first operation screen and the second operation screen; and controlling,—via in response to a control command created in the remote control apparatus and delivered via the first information processing apparatus, the second information processing apparatus—via the first information processing apparatus—based on the registered address information, wherein the first information processing apparatus apparatus is configured to:

receive the control command from the remote control apparatus;

determine, based on information contained in the command, a destination

address of the second information processing apparatus; and

forward the control command to the second information processing apparatus, based on the destination address.

11. (Canceled).